

## Exhibit 6.1.12: Frequency of Student Absences

| About the Item                                     |                       |
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| <b>About how often are you absent from school?</b> |                       |
| Once a week ----                                   | <input type="radio"/> |
| Once every two weeks ----                          | <input type="radio"/> |
| Once a month ----                                  | <input type="radio"/> |
| Once every two months ----                         | <input type="radio"/> |
| Never or almost never ----                         | <input type="radio"/> |

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Exhibit 6.1.13: Frequency of Student Absences

| Country                          | Never or Almost Never |                     | Once Every Two Months |                     | Once a Month        |                     | Once Every Two Weeks |                     | Once a Week         |                     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                  | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement | Percent of Students  | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement |
| Albania                          | 60 (1.8)              | 523 (5.1)           | 12 (1.0)              | 526 (9.6)           | 10 (0.9)            | 514 (7.8)           | 4 (0.5)              | 485 (13.5)          | 15 (1.1)            | 472 (7.2)           |
| Armenia                          | 41 (1.0)              | 526 (2.9)           | 11 (0.8)              | 528 (4.1)           | 15 (0.6)            | 510 (4.6)           | 9 (0.5)              | 506 (4.7)           | 24 (0.9)            | 488 (3.7)           |
| Australia                        | 54 (1.2)              | 539 (3.0)           | 16 (0.7)              | 534 (4.5)           | 15 (0.7)            | 528 (4.6)           | 7 (0.5)              | 503 (7.6)           | 7 (0.5)             | 452 (5.6)           |
| Azerbaijan                       | 40 (1.0)              | 513 (3.8)           | 14 (0.7)              | 514 (5.6)           | 14 (0.6)            | 491 (5.9)           | 9 (0.5)              | 467 (7.1)           | 24 (0.7)            | 469 (4.1)           |
| Bahrain                          | 55 (1.2)              | 480 (4.4)           | 10 (0.6)              | 466 (7.1)           | 10 (0.5)            | 445 (6.4)           | 8 (0.4)              | 440 (7.9)           | 18 (0.7)            | 425 (5.4)           |
| Belgium (Flemish)                | 73 (0.9)              | 531 (2.2)           | 10 (0.4)              | 519 (4.0)           | 7 (0.6)             | 507 (6.2)           | 3 (0.3)              | 478 (7.2)           | 7 (0.5)             | 478 (5.0)           |
| Belgium (French)                 | 73 (0.9)              | 498 (2.5)           | 8 (0.5)               | 490 (4.8)           | 5 (0.4)             | 483 (6.7)           | 6 (0.3)              | 475 (6.6)           | 9 (0.6)             | 437 (5.1)           |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina             | 52 (1.1)              | 459 (3.4)           | 14 (1.1)              | 468 (5.3)           | 10 (0.6)            | 447 (5.4)           | 7 (0.9)              | 422 (8.4)           | 17 (1.1)            | 407 (6.0)           |
| Brazil                           | 53 (0.8)              | 419 (3.9)           | 7 (0.5)               | 410 (7.5)           | 10 (0.4)            | 386 (7.9)           | 9 (0.5)              | 384 (6.1)           | 21 (0.7)            | 369 (3.5)           |
| Bulgaria                         | 50 (1.4)              | 545 (3.8)           | 16 (0.8)              | 545 (5.2)           | 15 (0.8)            | 535 (6.1)           | 7 (0.5)              | 498 (6.8)           | 12 (0.8)            | 460 (7.8)           |
| Canada                           | 57 (0.6)              | 512 (2.3)           | 13 (0.4)              | 513 (3.2)           | 14 (0.4)            | 516 (3.3)           | 7 (0.3)              | 493 (4.0)           | 9 (0.4)             | 446 (3.9)           |
| Chile                            | 58 (0.7)              | 454 (2.4)           | 7 (0.4)               | 450 (6.6)           | 8 (0.5)             | 456 (6.5)           | 8 (0.5)              | 429 (6.1)           | 18 (0.6)            | 416 (4.7)           |
| Chinese Taipei                   | 73 (0.8)              | 614 (1.8)           | 15 (0.6)              | 603 (3.2)           | 5 (0.3)             | 597 (5.1)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 5 (0.3)             | 550 (5.6)           |
| Cyprus                           | 68 (1.0)              | 525 (2.6)           | 13 (0.6)              | 521 (4.7)           | 9 (0.5)             | 512 (4.0)           | 4 (0.4)              | 490 (7.6)           | 6 (0.4)             | 447 (6.0)           |
| Czech Republic                   | 32 (0.9)              | 536 (3.0)           | 24 (0.8)              | 538 (3.1)           | 20 (0.6)            | 543 (3.1)           | 12 (0.6)             | 526 (5.0)           | 11 (0.6)            | 486 (4.2)           |
| Denmark                          | 46 (1.0)              | 533 (2.7)           | 16 (0.6)              | 530 (3.7)           | 18 (0.6)            | 526 (3.0)           | 9 (0.5)              | 512 (3.9)           | 11 (0.6)            | 491 (4.4)           |
| England                          | 65 (1.2)              | 562 (3.2)           | 15 (0.9)              | 559 (4.8)           | 10 (0.5)            | 552 (5.6)           | 4 (0.4)              | 514 (7.7)           | 5 (0.5)             | 454 (8.5)           |
| Finland                          | 28 (0.7)              | 532 (2.8)           | 32 (0.7)              | 538 (2.8)           | 25 (0.6)            | 538 (3.5)           | 9 (0.4)              | 517 (5.1)           | 6 (0.4)             | 463 (6.4)           |
| France                           | 75 (0.8)              | 493 (2.9)           | 9 (0.4)               | 480 (5.6)           | 7 (0.5)             | 472 (5.7)           | 3 (0.2)              | 443 (7.9)           | 6 (0.5)             | 432 (6.8)           |
| Georgia                          | 40 (1.1)              | 515 (3.5)           | 12 (0.7)              | 505 (5.1)           | 13 (0.8)            | 510 (5.2)           | 10 (0.7)             | 479 (6.8)           | 25 (0.9)            | 472 (4.2)           |
| Germany                          | 63 (0.9)              | 532 (2.3)           | 11 (0.6)              | 531 (4.4)           | 12 (0.5)            | 527 (6.2)           | 5 (0.4)              | 502 (7.1)           | 9 (0.5)             | 484 (4.6)           |
| Hong Kong SAR                    | 75 (1.0)              | 606 (3.9)           | 12 (0.7)              | 586 (4.4)           | 5 (0.3)             | 585 (13.8)          | 3 (0.3)              | 525 (11.1)          | 5 (0.4)             | 495 (7.7)           |
| Hungary                          | 33 (1.0)              | 541 (3.3)           | 25 (0.8)              | 532 (4.9)           | 21 (0.8)            | 526 (5.1)           | 10 (0.6)             | 503 (6.4)           | 11 (0.7)            | 449 (7.7)           |
| Iran, Islamic Rep. of            | 47 (1.3)              | 435 (4.1)           | 12 (0.6)              | 440 (5.9)           | 10 (0.7)            | 424 (6.8)           | 7 (0.5)              | 416 (6.8)           | 23 (1.1)            | 385 (5.9)           |
| Ireland                          | 49 (1.1)              | 549 (3.3)           | 21 (0.8)              | 559 (3.5)           | 18 (0.9)            | 553 (5.1)           | 7 (0.5)              | 529 (7.3)           | 5 (0.5)             | 460 (8.8)           |
| Italy                            | 64 (1.1)              | 522 (3.1)           | 9 (0.5)               | 512 (4.7)           | 11 (0.5)            | 517 (6.0)           | 7 (0.5)              | 506 (6.5)           | 9 (0.5)             | 461 (4.8)           |
| Japan                            | 68 (0.9)              | 601 (2.1)           | 18 (0.8)              | 585 (4.0)           | 8 (0.5)             | 577 (5.7)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 4 (0.3)             | 518 (6.6)           |
| Jordan                           | 34 (1.2)              | 444 (5.1)           | 15 (0.9)              | 441 (7.1)           | 17 (1.0)            | 424 (8.6)           | 10 (0.7)             | 413 (8.1)           | 24 (1.0)            | 403 (6.0)           |
| Kazakhstan                       | 42 (1.1)              | 505 (4.1)           | 14 (0.5)              | 505 (4.4)           | 12 (0.5)            | 485 (5.1)           | 7 (0.4)              | 479 (7.7)           | 24 (1.0)            | 453 (3.9)           |
| Korea, Rep. of                   | 78 (0.7)              | 599 (2.5)           | 12 (0.5)              | 587 (5.0)           | 6 (0.4)             | 586 (5.3)           | 1 ~                  | ~                   | 2 ~                 | ~                   |
| Kosovo                           | 51 (1.0)              | 463 (3.7)           | 13 (0.6)              | 466 (5.9)           | 9 (0.5)             | 449 (7.3)           | 6 (0.5)              | 436 (8.9)           | 21 (0.9)            | 421 (5.1)           |
| Kuwait                           | 40 (1.1)              | 423 (5.1)           | 7 (0.5)               | 395 (8.3)           | 9 (0.7)             | 389 (8.1)           | 11 (0.6)             | 351 (7.4)           | 33 (0.9)            | 351 (5.5)           |
| Latvia                           | 48 (1.1)              | 541 (3.0)           | 16 (0.8)              | 549 (4.3)           | 13 (0.7)            | 551 (5.1)           | 8 (0.6)              | 520 (5.6)           | 15 (0.9)            | 498 (4.6)           |
| Lithuania                        | 63 (0.9)              | 566 (3.1)           | 12 (0.6)              | 573 (4.4)           | 11 (0.5)            | 572 (3.8)           | 5 (0.4)              | 547 (6.0)           | 9 (0.6)             | 509 (5.8)           |
| Macao SAR                        | 77 (0.5)              | 589 (1.1)           | 14 (0.4)              | 577 (2.8)           | 5 (0.3)             | 555 (5.4)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 3 (0.2)             | 497 (6.9)           |
| Montenegro                       | 53 (0.9)              | 490 (2.1)           | 13 (0.5)              | 486 (3.7)           | 10 (0.5)            | 479 (5.1)           | 7 (0.4)              | 465 (4.3)           | 17 (0.7)            | 440 (3.8)           |
| Morocco                          | 61 (1.3)              | 405 (5.1)           | 12 (0.8)              | 409 (8.4)           | 9 (0.6)             | 374 (8.7)           | 5 (0.4)              | 360 (9.8)           | 13 (0.7)            | 366 (5.7)           |
| Netherlands                      | 64 (1.1)              | 543 (2.1)           | 16 (0.7)              | 544 (4.3)           | 11 (0.7)            | 533 (4.0)           | 4 (0.4)              | 511 (7.4)           | 5 (0.4)             | 485 (7.1)           |
| New Zealand                      | 52 (0.9)              | 496 (2.9)           | 15 (0.6)              | 517 (4.8)           | 13 (0.6)            | 504 (4.8)           | 8 (0.4)              | 481 (5.4)           | 13 (0.6)            | 437 (5.6)           |
| North Macedonia                  | 43 (1.2)              | 492 (4.0)           | 13 (0.7)              | 484 (5.9)           | 12 (0.6)            | 473 (5.3)           | 7 (0.5)              | 448 (6.4)           | 24 (1.0)            | 449 (4.4)           |
| Norway (5)                       | 55 (0.9)              | 533 (2.5)           | 16 (0.5)              | 543 (4.1)           | 16 (0.6)            | 536 (2.9)           | 6 (0.4)              | 528 (4.8)           | 7 (0.5)             | 488 (5.2)           |
| Oman                             | 39 (0.8)              | 444 (4.2)           | 14 (0.5)              | 428 (5.4)           | 14 (0.6)            | 406 (5.4)           | 9 (0.4)              | 407 (7.5)           | 24 (0.8)            | 399 (4.8)           |
| Poland                           | 49 (1.1)              | 558 (2.5)           | 17 (0.6)              | 546 (3.1)           | 16 (0.7)            | 551 (4.1)           | 9 (0.5)              | 532 (4.6)           | 10 (0.5)            | 497 (4.5)           |
| Portugal                         | 80 (0.8)              | 523 (2.7)           | 6 (0.4)               | 522 (6.8)           | 5 (0.4)             | 512 (6.7)           | 3 (0.3)              | 508 (8.4)           | 6 (0.5)             | 452 (6.6)           |
| Qatar                            | 53 (1.2)              | 488 (3.5)           | 10 (0.5)              | 471 (5.5)           | 10 (0.5)            | 455 (6.8)           | 7 (0.4)              | 434 (7.5)           | 20 (0.8)            | 419 (4.9)           |
| Romania                          | 64 (1.3)              | 556 (4.5)           | 11 (0.7)              | 552 (6.2)           | 10 (0.7)            | 537 (7.5)           | 6 (0.6)              | 518 (8.1)           | 10 (1.1)            | 473 (8.2)           |
| Saudi Arabia                     | 35 (1.1)              | 449 (4.7)           | 8 (0.4)               | 416 (7.6)           | 10 (0.5)            | 411 (6.7)           | 13 (0.6)             | 397 (5.1)           | 33 (0.9)            | 404 (4.2)           |
| Serbia                           | 51 (1.0)              | 531 (3.5)           | 18 (0.9)              | 534 (5.9)           | 12 (0.7)            | 530 (5.6)           | 6 (0.5)              | 505 (6.8)           | 12 (0.7)            | 478 (6.0)           |
| Singapore                        | 75 (0.6)              | 626 (2.4)           | 11 (0.4)              | 615 (4.7)           | 7 (0.3)             | 601 (5.3)           | 3 (0.2)              | 547 (9.4)           | 5 (0.3)             | 494 (6.1)           |
| Slovak Republic                  | 30 (1.0)              | 531 (3.4)           | 21 (0.8)              | 529 (3.2)           | 22 (0.8)            | 528 (3.7)           | 14 (0.8)             | 501 (6.2)           | 14 (0.7)            | 456 (7.2)           |
| Slovenia                         | 58 (0.9)              | 521 (2.0)           | 14 (0.7)              | 527 (3.4)           | 12 (0.5)            | 516 (4.2)           | 6 (0.4)              | 497 (5.4)           | 10 (0.5)            | 468 (4.7)           |
| South Africa (5)                 | 52 (1.2)              | 385 (4.9)           | 9 (0.5)               | 361 (9.1)           | 9 (0.4)             | 348 (6.6)           | 7 (0.5)              | 320 (6.7)           | 23 (0.8)            | 330 (4.1)           |
| Spain                            | 79 (0.7)              | 506 (2.0)           | 6 (0.4)               | 491 (5.0)           | 5 (0.3)             | 500 (5.9)           | 3 (0.3)              | 463 (5.7)           | 6 (0.3)             | 437 (4.8)           |
| Sweden                           | 50 (1.0)              | 532 (2.8)           | 18 (0.7)              | 547 (3.6)           | 19 (0.5)            | 535 (3.7)           | 7 (0.4)              | 512 (6.2)           | 6 (0.6)             | 475 (7.0)           |
| Türkiye (5)                      | 52 (1.1)              | 575 (4.1)           | 13 (0.7)              | 561 (5.7)           | 14 (0.6)            | 544 (5.9)           | 9 (0.4)              | 536 (6.1)           | 12 (0.8)            | 477 (6.0)           |
| United Arab Emirates             | 52 (0.4)              | 524 (1.4)           | 12 (0.3)              | 506 (3.0)           | 11 (0.2)            | 487 (3.0)           | 8 (0.2)              | 457 (3.1)           | 17 (0.3)            | 452 (2.2)           |
| United States                    | 57 (0.7)              | 530 (3.2)           | 14 (0.5)              | 532 (4.2)           | 11 (0.4)            | 527 (4.5)           | 7 (0.3)              | 497 (5.8)           | 10 (0.5)            | 436 (3.7)           |
| Uzbekistan                       | 53 (1.1)              | 460 (3.2)           | 10 (0.5)              | 448 (6.4)           | 9 (0.4)             | 439 (5.5)           | 5 (0.4)              | 423 (7.1)           | 24 (0.9)            | 414 (3.7)           |
| <b>International Average</b>     | <b>55 (0.1)</b>       | <b>516 (0.4)</b>    | <b>13 (0.1)</b>       | <b>511 (0.7)</b>    | <b>12 (0.1)</b>     | <b>502 (0.8)</b>    | <b>7 (0.1)</b>       | <b>475 (1.0)</b>    | <b>13 (0.1)</b>     | <b>451 (0.7)</b>    |
| <b>Benchmarking Participants</b> |                       |                     |                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                     |                     |
| Ontario, Canada                  | 52 (1.0)              | 510 (3.9)           | 13 (0.6)              | 515 (5.3)           | 15 (0.7)            | 517 (5.0)           | 9 (0.5)              | 495 (5.8)           | 10 (0.7)            | 450 (5.9)           |
| Quebec, Canada                   | 68 (0.9)              | 518 (2.8)           | 12 (0.6)              | 523 (4.6)           | 11 (0.6)            | 521 (5.5)           | 4 (0.4)              | 515 (8.3)           | 5 (0.6)             | 461 (7.0)           |
| Abu Dhabi, UAE                   | 47 (0.7)              | 491 (2.2)           | 11 (0.4)              | 459 (4.8)           | 12 (0.5)            | 435 (5.0)           | 9 (0.3)              | 414 (4.3)           | 20 (0.5)            | 423 (3.3)           |
| Dubai, UAE                       | 56 (0.7)              | 572 (1.8)           | 13 (0.5)              | 563 (3.6)           | 11 (0.4)            | 556 (3.5)           | 7 (0.3)              | 529 (4.4)           | 13 (0.4)            | 505 (4.1)           |
| Sharjah, UAE                     | 54 (1.2)              | 525 (3.7)           | 12 (1.0)              | 513 (6.7)           | 10 (0.5)            | 494 (5.9)           | 7 (0.3)              | 462 (5.3)           | 17 (0.5)            | 463 (4.9)           |

( ) Standard errors appear in parentheses. Because of rounding some results may appear inconsistent. A tilde (~) indicates insufficient data to report result.

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| Country                          | Never or Almost Never |                     | Once Every Two Months |                     | Once a Month        |                     | Once Every Two Weeks |                     | Once a Week         |                     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                  | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement | Percent of Students  | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement |
| Albania                          | 60 (1.8)              | 505 (4.8)           | 12 (1.0)              | 500 (8.8)           | 10 (0.9)            | 491 (8.0)           | 4 (0.5)              | 459 (10.0)          | 15 (1.1)            | 455 (7.1)           |
| Armenia                          | 41 (1.0)              | 468 (2.8)           | 11 (0.8)              | 465 (4.5)           | 15 (0.6)            | 460 (5.1)           | 9 (0.5)              | 448 (3.9)           | 24 (0.9)            | 439 (3.8)           |
| Australia                        | 54 (1.2)              | 560 (2.9)           | 16 (0.7)              | 563 (3.9)           | 15 (0.7)            | 553 (4.2)           | 7 (0.5)              | 533 (6.5)           | 7 (0.5)             | 487 (5.6)           |
| Azerbaijan                       | 40 (1.0)              | 435 (3.6)           | 14 (0.7)              | 440 (4.7)           | 14 (0.6)            | 420 (5.9)           | 9 (0.5)              | 402 (6.1)           | 24 (0.7)            | 403 (3.9)           |
| Bahrain                          | 55 (1.2)              | 500 (4.2)           | 10 (0.6)              | 473 (6.3)           | 10 (0.5)            | 454 (6.4)           | 8 (0.4)              | 443 (8.6)           | 18 (0.7)            | 430 (5.2)           |
| Belgium (Flemish)                | 73 (0.9)              | 498 (2.4)           | 10 (0.4)              | 492 (5.4)           | 7 (0.6)             | 478 (7.0)           | 3 (0.3)              | 455 (9.1)           | 7 (0.5)             | 438 (5.6)           |
| Belgium (French)                 | 73 (0.9)              | 490 (2.6)           | 8 (0.5)               | 485 (5.7)           | 5 (0.4)             | 471 (7.3)           | 6 (0.3)              | 463 (7.0)           | 9 (0.6)             | 425 (5.1)           |
| Bosnia & Herzegovina             | 52 (1.1)              | 462 (4.0)           | 14 (1.1)              | 463 (4.3)           | 10 (0.6)            | 445 (6.1)           | 7 (0.9)              | 434 (9.8)           | 17 (1.1)            | 409 (6.4)           |
| Brazil                           | 53 (0.8)              | 449 (3.6)           | 7 (0.5)               | 427 (7.3)           | 10 (0.4)            | 400 (8.4)           | 9 (0.5)              | 401 (7.1)           | 21 (0.7)            | 396 (3.7)           |
| Bulgaria                         | 50 (1.4)              | 546 (5.4)           | 16 (0.8)              | 550 (5.7)           | 15 (0.8)            | 536 (7.9)           | 7 (0.5)              | 493 (7.9)           | 12 (0.8)            | 450 (10.3)          |
| Canada                           | 57 (0.6)              | 527 (2.0)           | 13 (0.4)              | 531 (3.0)           | 14 (0.4)            | 530 (3.6)           | 7 (0.3)              | 517 (4.1)           | 9 (0.4)             | 474 (4.0)           |
| Chile                            | 58 (0.7)              | 491 (2.4)           | 7 (0.4)               | 487 (6.8)           | 8 (0.5)             | 480 (6.9)           | 8 (0.5)              | 464 (5.9)           | 18 (0.6)            | 452 (4.2)           |
| Chinese Taipei                   | 73 (0.8)              | 579 (1.8)           | 15 (0.6)              | 574 (3.2)           | 5 (0.3)             | 561 (5.1)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 5 (0.3)             | 511 (6.2)           |
| Cyprus                           | 68 (1.0)              | 499 (3.0)           | 13 (0.6)              | 485 (5.2)           | 9 (0.5)             | 477 (5.6)           | 4 (0.4)              | 452 (9.8)           | 6 (0.4)             | 410 (7.2)           |
| Czech Republic                   | 32 (0.9)              | 532 (3.0)           | 24 (0.8)              | 534 (3.3)           | 20 (0.6)            | 534 (3.0)           | 12 (0.6)             | 523 (5.3)           | 11 (0.6)            | 484 (4.3)           |
| Denmark                          | 46 (1.0)              | 531 (2.8)           | 16 (0.6)              | 532 (4.4)           | 18 (0.6)            | 522 (3.8)           | 9 (0.5)              | 513 (4.8)           | 11 (0.6)            | 485 (5.0)           |
| England                          | 65 (1.2)              | 565 (3.0)           | 15 (0.9)              | 566 (4.2)           | 10 (0.5)            | 554 (5.9)           | 4 (0.4)              | 527 (8.5)           | 5 (0.5)             | 464 (8.1)           |
| Finland                          | 28 (0.7)              | 547 (3.4)           | 32 (0.7)              | 550 (3.1)           | 25 (0.6)            | 552 (3.6)           | 9 (0.4)              | 534 (4.9)           | 6 (0.4)             | 463 (8.1)           |
| France                           | 75 (0.8)              | 497 (2.6)           | 9 (0.4)               | 484 (5.7)           | 7 (0.5)             | 480 (6.9)           | 3 (0.2)              | 451 (8.0)           | 6 (0.5)             | 428 (7.0)           |
| Georgia                          | 40 (1.1)              | 477 (3.4)           | 12 (0.7)              | 474 (6.6)           | 13 (0.8)            | 479 (4.6)           | 10 (0.7)             | 453 (6.3)           | 25 (0.9)            | 442 (4.6)           |
| Germany                          | 63 (0.9)              | 526 (3.0)           | 11 (0.6)              | 521 (4.7)           | 12 (0.5)            | 520 (6.4)           | 5 (0.4)              | 492 (9.4)           | 9 (0.5)             | 466 (5.3)           |
| Hong Kong SAR                    | 75 (1.0)              | 557 (3.8)           | 12 (0.7)              | 543 (5.7)           | 5 (0.3)             | 536 (12.8)          | 3 (0.3)              | 462 (12.7)          | 5 (0.4)             | 447 (9.3)           |
| Hungary                          | 33 (1.0)              | 542 (3.4)           | 25 (0.8)              | 535 (4.3)           | 21 (0.8)            | 526 (4.9)           | 10 (0.6)             | 515 (5.9)           | 11 (0.7)            | 461 (6.6)           |
| Iran, Islamic Rep. of            | 47 (1.3)              | 451 (4.3)           | 12 (0.6)              | 448 (6.5)           | 10 (0.7)            | 439 (7.8)           | 7 (0.5)              | 430 (8.0)           | 23 (1.1)            | 394 (6.4)           |
| Ireland                          | 49 (1.1)              | 538 (3.6)           | 21 (0.8)              | 541 (4.6)           | 18 (0.9)            | 537 (5.0)           | 7 (0.5)              | 512 (8.6)           | 5 (0.5)             | 447 (8.2)           |
| Italy                            | 64 (1.1)              | 519 (2.6)           | 9 (0.5)               | 512 (4.7)           | 11 (0.5)            | 511 (5.8)           | 7 (0.5)              | 503 (5.4)           | 9 (0.5)             | 464 (3.9)           |
| Japan                            | 68 (0.9)              | 564 (2.4)           | 18 (0.8)              | 552 (3.5)           | 8 (0.5)             | 541 (5.9)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 4 (0.3)             | 488 (7.9)           |
| Jordan                           | 34 (1.2)              | 444 (4.9)           | 15 (0.9)              | 433 (6.2)           | 17 (1.0)            | 409 (8.6)           | 10 (0.7)             | 397 (7.6)           | 24 (1.0)            | 389 (6.0)           |
| Kazakhstan                       | 42 (1.1)              | 492 (3.6)           | 14 (0.5)              | 476 (4.0)           | 12 (0.5)            | 464 (6.3)           | 7 (0.4)              | 462 (8.1)           | 24 (1.0)            | 423 (3.4)           |
| Korea, Rep. of                   | 78 (0.7)              | 589 (2.3)           | 12 (0.5)              | 574 (4.4)           | 6 (0.4)             | 578 (5.4)           | 1 ~                  | ~                   | 2 ~                 | ~                   |
| Kosovo                           | 51 (1.0)              | 414 (3.9)           | 13 (0.6)              | 417 (6.5)           | 9 (0.5)             | 402 (8.3)           | 6 (0.5)              | 386 (7.1)           | 21 (0.9)            | 374 (4.6)           |
| Kuwait                           | 40 (1.1)              | 425 (6.5)           | 7 (0.5)               | 386 (8.0)           | 9 (0.7)             | 370 (7.8)           | 11 (0.6)             | 346 (8.7)           | 33 (0.9)            | 335 (7.1)           |
| Latvia                           | 48 (1.1)              | 532 (3.1)           | 16 (0.8)              | 542 (5.0)           | 13 (0.7)            | 541 (5.0)           | 8 (0.6)              | 511 (7.2)           | 15 (0.9)            | 489 (4.4)           |
| Lithuania                        | 63 (0.9)              | 543 (3.0)           | 12 (0.6)              | 544 (4.1)           | 11 (0.5)            | 546 (4.7)           | 5 (0.4)              | 524 (6.3)           | 9 (0.6)             | 490 (5.9)           |
| Macao SAR                        | 77 (0.5)              | 544 (1.6)           | 14 (0.4)              | 527 (2.7)           | 5 (0.3)             | 510 (5.2)           | 2 ~                  | ~                   | 3 (0.2)             | 446 (6.5)           |
| Montenegro                       | 53 (0.9)              | 473 (2.1)           | 13 (0.5)              | 472 (3.6)           | 10 (0.5)            | 464 (4.8)           | 7 (0.4)              | 453 (6.3)           | 17 (0.7)            | 421 (3.1)           |
| Morocco                          | 61 (1.3)              | 405 (5.7)           | 12 (0.8)              | 397 (9.8)           | 9 (0.6)             | 380 (9.1)           | 5 (0.4)              | 353 (12.1)          | 13 (0.7)            | 360 (7.0)           |
| Netherlands                      | 64 (1.1)              | 523 (2.5)           | 16 (0.7)              | 529 (4.7)           | 11 (0.7)            | 507 (6.1)           | 4 (0.4)              | 488 (8.3)           | 5 (0.4)             | 461 (8.9)           |
| New Zealand                      | 52 (0.9)              | 526 (3.2)           | 15 (0.6)              | 544 (5.1)           | 13 (0.6)            | 530 (5.0)           | 8 (0.4)              | 502 (5.1)           | 13 (0.6)            | 457 (5.6)           |
| North Macedonia                  | 43 (1.2)              | 462 (4.3)           | 13 (0.7)              | 449 (5.7)           | 12 (0.6)            | 436 (6.3)           | 7 (0.5)              | 415 (6.3)           | 24 (1.0)            | 408 (5.2)           |
| Norway (5)                       | 55 (0.9)              | 534 (2.8)           | 16 (0.5)              | 544 (4.3)           | 16 (0.6)            | 537 (4.2)           | 6 (0.4)              | 528 (5.4)           | 7 (0.5)             | 483 (7.8)           |
| Oman                             | 39 (0.8)              | 458 (4.4)           | 14 (0.5)              | 438 (5.9)           | 14 (0.6)            | 412 (5.4)           | 9 (0.4)              | 412 (8.0)           | 24 (0.8)            | 413 (5.0)           |
| Poland                           | 49 (1.1)              | 559 (2.4)           | 17 (0.6)              | 555 (2.7)           | 16 (0.7)            | 555 (4.2)           | 9 (0.5)              | 537 (5.1)           | 10 (0.5)            | 502 (4.6)           |
| Portugal                         | 80 (0.8)              | 516 (2.2)           | 6 (0.4)               | 517 (6.1)           | 5 (0.4)             | 499 (6.2)           | 3 (0.3)              | 511 (9.6)           | 6 (0.5)             | 452 (4.6)           |
| Qatar                            | 53 (1.2)              | 502 (3.7)           | 10 (0.5)              | 474 (5.9)           | 10 (0.5)            | 460 (7.0)           | 7 (0.4)              | 435 (8.4)           | 20 (0.8)            | 420 (4.8)           |
| Romania                          | 64 (1.3)              | 539 (4.3)           | 11 (0.7)              | 541 (6.7)           | 10 (0.7)            | 527 (6.4)           | 6 (0.6)              | 497 (9.8)           | 10 (1.1)            | 465 (8.8)           |
| Saudi Arabia                     | 35 (1.1)              | 466 (4.4)           | 8 (0.4)               | 415 (6.9)           | 10 (0.5)            | 419 (7.4)           | 13 (0.6)             | 397 (5.9)           | 33 (0.9)            | 410 (4.6)           |
| Serbia                           | 51 (1.0)              | 518 (3.4)           | 18 (0.9)              | 523 (5.2)           | 12 (0.7)            | 513 (5.1)           | 6 (0.5)              | 490 (6.8)           | 12 (0.7)            | 467 (5.6)           |
| Singapore                        | 75 (0.6)              | 618 (2.3)           | 11 (0.4)              | 609 (5.1)           | 7 (0.3)             | 594 (4.9)           | 3 (0.2)              | 547 (9.5)           | 5 (0.3)             | 486 (6.3)           |
| Slovak Republic                  | 30 (1.0)              | 538 (3.5)           | 21 (0.8)              | 537 (3.4)           | 22 (0.8)            | 536 (4.4)           | 14 (0.8)             | 504 (6.7)           | 14 (0.7)            | 457 (7.8)           |
| Slovenia                         | 58 (0.9)              | 535 (2.6)           | 14 (0.7)              | 536 (4.2)           | 12 (0.5)            | 529 (4.3)           | 6 (0.4)              | 504 (7.4)           | 10 (0.5)            | 471 (4.2)           |
| South Africa (5)                 | 52 (1.2)              | 335 (6.6)           | 9 (0.5)               | 306 (12.7)          | 9 (0.4)             | 287 (9.2)           | 7 (0.5)              | 242 (9.2)           | 23 (0.8)            | 271 (5.3)           |
| Spain                            | 79 (0.7)              | 511 (1.9)           | 6 (0.4)               | 497 (5.2)           | 5 (0.3)             | 500 (4.8)           | 3 (0.3)              | 469 (5.2)           | 6 (0.3)             | 451 (4.1)           |
| Sweden                           | 50 (1.0)              | 535 (3.0)           | 18 (0.7)              | 549 (4.2)           | 19 (0.5)            | 542 (4.6)           | 7 (0.4)              | 516 (6.4)           | 6 (0.6)             | 470 (9.7)           |
| Türkiye (5)                      | 52 (1.1)              | 587 (3.4)           | 13 (0.7)              | 580 (4.2)           | 14 (0.6)            | 560 (5.5)           | 9 (0.4)              | 557 (5.3)           | 12 (0.8)            | 509 (5.4)           |
| United Arab Emirates             | 52 (0.4)              | 526 (1.8)           | 12 (0.3)              | 501 (3.7)           | 11 (0.2)            | 477 (3.8)           | 8 (0.2)              | 446 (5.0)           | 17 (0.3)            | 444 (2.6)           |
| United States                    | 57 (0.7)              | 547 (2.9)           | 14 (0.5)              | 543 (4.3)           | 11 (0.4)            | 542 (4.0)           | 7 (0.3)              | 511 (5.4)           | 10 (0.5)            | 455 (4.1)           |
| Uzbekistan                       | 53 (1.1)              | 430 (3.7)           | 10 (0.5)              | 409 (6.4)           | 9 (0.4)             | 404 (6.3)           | 5 (0.4)              | 384 (7.0)           | 24 (0.9)            | 382 (3.3)           |
| <b>International Average</b>     | <b>55 (0.1)</b>       | <b>508 (0.5)</b>    | <b>13 (0.1)</b>       | <b>502 (0.7)</b>    | <b>12 (0.1)</b>     | <b>492 (0.8)</b>    | <b>7 (0.1)</b>       | <b>467 (1.0)</b>    | <b>13 (0.1)</b>     | <b>442 (0.8)</b>    |
| <b>Benchmarking Participants</b> |                       |                     |                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                     |                     |
| Ontario, Canada                  | 52 (1.0)              | 533 (3.4)           | 13 (0.6)              | 537 (5.0)           | 15 (0.7)            | 533 (5.1)           | 9 (0.5)              | 519 (6.3)           | 10 (0.7)            | 478 (6.0)           |
| Quebec, Canada                   | 68 (0.9)              | 512 (2.6)           | 12 (0.6)              | 515 (4.7)           | 11 (0.6)            | 509 (5.0)           | 4 (0.4)              | 504 (7.8)           | 5 (0.6)             | 457 (8.4)           |
| Abu Dhabi, UAE                   | 47 (0.7)              | 487 (2.9)           | 11 (0.4)              | 444 (5.9)           | 12 (0.5)            | 414 (6.4)           | 9 (0.3)              | 392 (6.1)           | 20 (0.5)            | 405 (3.8)           |
| Dubai, UAE                       | 56 (0.7)              | 581 (2.0)           | 13 (0.5)              | 568 (3.2)           | 11 (0.4)            | 559 (3.4)           | 7 (0.3)              | 530 (5.9)           | 13 (0.4)            | 507 (4.2)           |
| Sharjah, UAE                     | 54 (1.2)              | 528 (4.1)           | 12 (1.0)              | 510 (7.8)           | 10 (0.5)            | 487 (7.3)           | 7 (0.3)              | 454 (7.9)           | 17 (0.5)            | 458 (5.4)           |

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## Exhibit 6.1.15: Frequency of Student Absences

| Country                          | Never or Almost Never |                     | Once Every Two Months |                     | Once a Month        |                     | Once Every Two Weeks |                     | Once a Week         |                     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                  | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement | Percent of Students  | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement |
| Australia                        | 35 (0.9)              | 526 (3.9)           | 20 (0.7)              | 531 (4.0)           | 22 (0.7)            | 509 (3.9)           | 15 (0.6)             | 486 (5.7)           | 8 (0.6)             | 446 (7.4)           |
| Austria                          | 48 (0.9)              | 512 (3.0)           | 20 (0.7)              | 527 (3.4)           | 18 (0.7)            | 512 (3.6)           | 10 (0.5)             | 504 (4.7)           | 4 (0.3)             | 471 (6.5)           |
| Azerbaijan                       | 32 (0.9)              | 496 (4.4)           | 17 (0.6)              | 505 (4.8)           | 17 (0.6)            | 484 (5.8)           | 10 (0.5)             | 473 (5.8)           | 24 (1.1)            | 439 (5.0)           |
| Bahrain                          | 43 (0.7)              | 449 (2.7)           | 12 (0.5)              | 447 (4.8)           | 15 (0.5)            | 439 (4.9)           | 14 (0.4)             | 407 (4.7)           | 16 (0.6)            | 370 (4.8)           |
| Brazil                           | 50 (0.6)              | 383 (3.3)           | 7 (0.4)               | 402 (6.5)           | 11 (0.4)            | 398 (4.8)           | 12 (0.4)             | 386 (3.9)           | 19 (0.6)            | 343 (3.7)           |
| Chile                            | 49 (0.9)              | 417 (3.7)           | 10 (0.5)              | 442 (5.3)           | 14 (0.6)            | 435 (4.3)           | 13 (0.5)             | 425 (5.5)           | 14 (0.7)            | 373 (5.3)           |
| Chinese Taipei                   | 78 (0.8)              | 612 (3.1)           | 12 (0.5)              | 589 (5.3)           | 6 (0.4)             | 576 (7.4)           | 2 ~                  | --                  | 2 ~                 | --                  |
| Cote d'Ivoire                    | 69 (1.5)              | 273 (6.4)           | 5 (0.4)               | 258 (5.1)           | 6 (0.4)             | 244 (7.9)           | 5 (0.4)              | 233 (8.7)           | 16 (0.9)            | 243 (4.8)           |
| Cyprus                           | 45 (0.9)              | 508 (3.4)           | 20 (0.7)              | 503 (4.4)           | 20 (0.6)            | 491 (4.2)           | 9 (0.5)              | 478 (5.1)           | 5 (0.4)             | 409 (7.0)           |
| Czech Republic                   | 21 (0.6)              | 520 (3.0)           | 23 (0.7)              | 530 (2.9)           | 31 (0.6)            | 523 (2.5)           | 18 (0.5)             | 518 (2.9)           | 7 (0.4)             | 459 (6.2)           |
| England                          | 48 (0.9)              | 539 (5.1)           | 21 (0.7)              | 540 (5.7)           | 17 (0.8)            | 517 (6.0)           | 10 (0.6)             | 491 (6.2)           | 5 (0.4)             | 459 (12.4)          |
| Finland                          | 19 (0.6)              | 514 (3.9)           | 27 (0.7)              | 521 (2.9)           | 29 (0.7)            | 507 (2.9)           | 17 (0.6)             | 493 (3.6)           | 9 (0.4)             | 459 (4.7)           |
| France                           | 51 (1.0)              | 495 (3.3)           | 16 (0.6)              | 491 (4.5)           | 17 (0.7)            | 469 (4.1)           | 8 (0.5)              | 448 (5.9)           | 7 (0.4)             | 407 (6.3)           |
| Georgia                          | 26 (1.0)              | 485 (5.0)           | 13 (0.6)              | 480 (5.7)           | 19 (0.7)            | 483 (5.2)           | 18 (0.8)             | 469 (4.7)           | 24 (0.9)            | 427 (5.4)           |
| Hong Kong SAR                    | 79 (1.0)              | 584 (5.0)           | 12 (0.7)              | 570 (7.3)           | 5 (0.3)             | 542 (9.5)           | 2 ~                  | --                  | 3 (0.3)             | 499 (13.4)          |
| Hungary                          | 24 (0.8)              | 524 (3.7)           | 33 (0.9)              | 520 (3.8)           | 28 (0.7)            | 503 (4.1)           | 10 (0.5)             | 481 (6.3)           | 5 (0.6)             | 396 (14.0)          |
| Iran, Islamic Rep. of            | 55 (0.9)              | 438 (3.5)           | 16 (0.5)              | 430 (4.8)           | 13 (0.5)            | 423 (4.7)           | 7 (0.4)              | 395 (6.5)           | 9 (0.5)             | 356 (6.1)           |
| Ireland                          | 30 (0.9)              | 539 (2.8)           | 23 (0.8)              | 532 (4.5)           | 26 (0.7)            | 524 (3.6)           | 15 (0.6)             | 502 (4.6)           | 6 (0.5)             | 455 (5.7)           |
| Israel                           | 34 (0.8)              | 506 (4.8)           | 14 (0.5)              | 507 (5.6)           | 20 (0.6)            | 502 (5.0)           | 16 (0.5)             | 482 (4.6)           | 16 (0.7)            | 427 (4.8)           |
| Italy                            | 39 (0.9)              | 506 (3.3)           | 16 (0.6)              | 514 (4.4)           | 23 (0.6)            | 508 (3.9)           | 17 (0.6)             | 491 (4.3)           | 6 (0.7)             | 441 (6.9)           |
| Japan                            | 74 (0.8)              | 602 (3.2)           | 15 (0.7)              | 588 (4.9)           | 6 (0.4)             | 568 (6.7)           | 2 ~                  | --                  | 2 ~                 | --                  |
| Jordan                           | 26 (0.9)              | 412 (4.3)           | 16 (0.6)              | 402 (4.6)           | 21 (0.6)            | 402 (5.2)           | 16 (0.6)             | 377 (4.3)           | 21 (0.7)            | 347 (3.8)           |
| Kazakhstan                       | 37 (0.9)              | 466 (4.9)           | 21 (0.7)              | 469 (3.8)           | 19 (0.6)            | 456 (4.8)           | 10 (0.5)             | 438 (5.2)           | 13 (0.6)            | 410 (5.0)           |
| Korea, Rep. of                   | 83 (0.8)              | 605 (3.1)           | 8 (0.4)               | 576 (7.5)           | 6 (0.5)             | 552 (6.2)           | 1 ~                  | --                  | 1 ~                 | --                  |
| Kuwait                           | 31 (1.5)              | 443 (7.7)           | 11 (0.6)              | 429 (8.2)           | 15 (0.7)            | 401 (5.1)           | 18 (0.7)             | 381 (5.3)           | 26 (1.2)            | 349 (6.1)           |
| Lithuania                        | 47 (0.8)              | 521 (3.3)           | 15 (0.6)              | 526 (4.5)           | 20 (0.6)            | 519 (4.4)           | 11 (0.5)             | 504 (4.6)           | 8 (0.5)             | 447 (6.4)           |
| Malaysia                         | 36 (0.9)              | 435 (4.3)           | 16 (0.5)              | 431 (3.7)           | 14 (0.4)            | 419 (4.0)           | 11 (0.4)             | 396 (3.8)           | 22 (0.9)            | 358 (3.2)           |
| Malta                            | 49 (0.9)              | 519 (1.9)           | 16 (0.6)              | 512 (3.6)           | 19 (0.6)            | 492 (3.4)           | 9 (0.5)              | 472 (4.9)           | 7 (0.4)             | 404 (5.2)           |
| Morocco                          | 65 (0.8)              | 380 (3.1)           | 12 (0.5)              | 390 (4.1)           | 7 (0.4)             | 381 (5.2)           | 4 (0.3)              | 376 (7.0)           | 11 (0.6)            | 353 (4.1)           |
| Norway (9)                       | 39 (0.9)              | 507 (2.7)           | 20 (0.6)              | 514 (3.3)           | 23 (0.7)            | 505 (3.3)           | 12 (0.6)             | 490 (3.5)           | 6 (0.4)             | 462 (5.8)           |
| Oman                             | 49 (0.8)              | 431 (2.7)           | 16 (0.5)              | 427 (4.4)           | 13 (0.4)            | 402 (4.8)           | 7 (0.4)              | 386 (5.8)           | 15 (0.5)            | 362 (4.6)           |
| Palestinian Nat'l Auth.          | 46 (0.8)              | 405 (3.3)           | 20 (0.5)              | 389 (3.4)           | 14 (0.5)            | 373 (4.7)           | 7 (0.4)              | 347 (5.4)           | 13 (0.6)            | 327 (5.3)           |
| Portugal                         | 75 (0.8)              | 479 (2.6)           | 11 (0.5)              | 485 (5.4)           | 9 (0.4)             | 476 (5.2)           | 4 (0.3)              | 437 (5.9)           | 3 (0.3)             | 411 (6.5)           |
| Qatar                            | 41 (1.4)              | 486 (4.8)           | 16 (0.8)              | 476 (6.8)           | 17 (0.8)            | 449 (6.2)           | 11 (0.6)             | 418 (6.0)           | 16 (0.9)            | 375 (5.1)           |
| Romania                          | 50 (1.4)              | 510 (4.7)           | 13 (0.8)              | 517 (7.0)           | 14 (0.8)            | 504 (7.2)           | 9 (0.6)              | 480 (8.1)           | 13 (0.9)            | 442 (7.9)           |
| Saudi Arabia                     | 28 (1.0)              | 422 (4.2)           | 6 (0.4)               | 425 (6.1)           | 11 (0.5)            | 427 (4.5)           | 18 (0.6)             | 394 (4.5)           | 36 (1.1)            | 368 (3.3)           |
| Singapore                        | 69 (1.2)              | 620 (5.4)           | 16 (0.7)              | 604 (7.3)           | 8 (0.5)             | 566 (7.3)           | 4 (0.4)              | 531 (10.9)          | 3 (0.3)             | 461 (10.7)          |
| South Africa (9)                 | 60 (0.9)              | 404 (3.4)           | 10 (0.4)              | 400 (4.6)           | 11 (0.4)            | 393 (5.2)           | 5 (0.3)              | 383 (6.9)           | 14 (0.6)            | 366 (3.7)           |
| Sweden                           | 38 (0.9)              | 530 (2.9)           | 16 (0.6)              | 536 (4.4)           | 20 (0.6)            | 521 (3.5)           | 14 (0.7)             | 506 (4.4)           | 11 (0.6)            | 475 (4.8)           |
| Türkiye                          | 40 (1.1)              | 539 (5.2)           | 14 (0.6)              | 512 (6.3)           | 20 (0.6)            | 502 (6.1)           | 14 (0.6)             | 484 (6.6)           | 12 (0.6)            | 442 (6.8)           |
| United Arab Emirates             | 48 (0.5)              | 509 (1.8)           | 15 (0.3)              | 513 (2.7)           | 14 (0.3)            | 487 (2.6)           | 10 (0.3)             | 462 (2.9)           | 12 (0.3)            | 417 (2.9)           |
| United States                    | 42 (0.8)              | 498 (4.8)           | 19 (0.6)              | 506 (4.8)           | 19 (0.5)            | 496 (4.6)           | 13 (0.6)             | 471 (3.9)           | 7 (0.5)             | 414 (5.8)           |
| Uzbekistan                       | 40 (1.2)              | 434 (5.4)           | 14 (0.7)              | 431 (5.5)           | 17 (0.6)            | 432 (5.5)           | 11 (0.7)             | 410 (5.3)           | 18 (1.0)            | 383 (4.0)           |
| <b>International Average</b>     | <b>46 (0.1)</b>       | <b>488 (0.6)</b>    | <b>16 (0.1)</b>       | <b>486 (0.8)</b>    | <b>16 (0.1)</b>     | <b>472 (0.8)</b>    | <b>10 (0.1)</b>      | <b>444 (0.9)</b>    | <b>12 (0.1)</b>     | <b>406 (1.0)</b>    |
| <b>Benchmarking Participants</b> |                       |                     |                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                     |                     |
| Abu Dhabi, UAE                   | 45 (0.9)              | 481 (2.8)           | 14 (0.4)              | 474 (3.7)           | 15 (0.5)            | 453 (3.3)           | 11 (0.6)             | 428 (4.1)           | 15 (0.6)            | 394 (4.5)           |
| Dubai, UAE                       | 48 (1.0)              | 564 (2.9)           | 18 (0.7)              | 568 (3.6)           | 15 (0.5)            | 539 (3.6)           | 10 (0.4)             | 515 (5.3)           | 9 (0.5)             | 456 (6.9)           |
| Sharjah, UAE                     | 55 (1.4)              | 510 (4.8)           | 14 (0.6)              | 509 (7.1)           | 12 (0.6)            | 489 (8.0)           | 8 (0.6)              | 467 (6.2)           | 11 (0.7)            | 434 (6.0)           |

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## Exhibit 6.1.16: Frequency of Student Absences

| Country                          | Never or Almost Never |                     | Once Every Two Months |                     | Once a Month        |                     | Once Every Two Weeks |                     | Once a Week         |                     |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                  | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students   | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement | Percent of Students  | Average Achievement | Percent of Students | Average Achievement |
| Australia                        | 35 (0.9)              | 538 (3.4)           | 20 (0.7)              | 544 (4.1)           | 22 (0.7)            | 522 (3.9)           | 15 (0.6)             | 500 (5.7)           | 8 (0.6)             | 454 (7.2)           |
| Austria                          | 48 (0.9)              | 514 (2.7)           | 20 (0.7)              | 525 (4.4)           | 18 (0.7)            | 511 (4.2)           | 10 (0.5)             | 499 (5.9)           | 4 (0.3)             | 469 (7.1)           |
| Azerbaijan                       | 32 (0.9)              | 426 (3.5)           | 17 (0.6)              | 432 (4.8)           | 17 (0.6)            | 416 (3.9)           | 10 (0.5)             | 413 (5.6)           | 24 (1.1)            | 376 (3.2)           |
| Bahrain                          | 43 (0.7)              | 480 (2.9)           | 12 (0.5)              | 474 (5.7)           | 15 (0.5)            | 460 (5.2)           | 14 (0.4)             | 431 (5.2)           | 16 (0.6)            | 386 (4.4)           |
| Brazil                           | 50 (0.6)              | 429 (2.9)           | 7 (0.4)               | 443 (6.8)           | 11 (0.4)            | 436 (4.4)           | 12 (0.4)             | 427 (4.0)           | 19 (0.6)            | 382 (3.0)           |
| Chile                            | 49 (0.9)              | 456 (3.1)           | 10 (0.5)              | 479 (5.0)           | 14 (0.6)            | 477 (4.4)           | 13 (0.5)             | 462 (4.5)           | 14 (0.7)            | 416 (4.7)           |
| Chinese Taipei                   | 78 (0.8)              | 581 (2.5)           | 12 (0.5)              | 558 (4.5)           | 6 (0.4)             | 542 (6.4)           | 2 ~                  | ~ ~                 | 2 ~                 | ~ ~                 |
| Cote d'Ivoire                    | 69 (1.5)              | 202 (10.8)          | 5 (0.4)               | 157 (10.0)          | 6 (0.4)             | 142 (7.8)           | 5 (0.4)              | 120 (9.7)           | 16 (0.9)            | 152 (5.1)           |
| Cyprus                           | 45 (0.9)              | 482 (3.6)           | 20 (0.7)              | 471 (4.7)           | 20 (0.6)            | 459 (4.0)           | 9 (0.5)              | 443 (5.4)           | 5 (0.4)             | 379 (7.0)           |
| Czech Republic                   | 21 (0.6)              | 528 (2.7)           | 23 (0.7)              | 543 (2.5)           | 31 (0.6)            | 531 (2.3)           | 18 (0.5)             | 525 (2.7)           | 7 (0.4)             | 470 (6.1)           |
| England                          | 48 (0.9)              | 547 (4.8)           | 21 (0.7)              | 543 (5.6)           | 17 (0.8)            | 522 (5.4)           | 10 (0.6)             | 496 (7.3)           | 5 (0.4)             | 463 (12.8)          |
| Finland                          | 19 (0.6)              | 543 (4.5)           | 27 (0.7)              | 552 (3.6)           | 29 (0.7)            | 535 (3.5)           | 17 (0.6)             | 516 (4.6)           | 9 (0.4)             | 476 (6.1)           |
| France                           | 51 (1.0)              | 501 (3.5)           | 16 (0.6)              | 501 (4.6)           | 17 (0.7)            | 480 (3.6)           | 8 (0.5)              | 453 (6.0)           | 7 (0.4)             | 416 (6.4)           |
| Georgia                          | 26 (1.0)              | 466 (3.9)           | 13 (0.6)              | 458 (4.5)           | 19 (0.7)            | 463 (4.2)           | 18 (0.8)             | 448 (4.7)           | 24 (0.9)            | 413 (5.0)           |
| Hong Kong SAR                    | 79 (1.0)              | 536 (4.7)           | 12 (0.7)              | 523 (6.9)           | 5 (0.3)             | 492 (8.3)           | 2 ~                  | ~ ~                 | 3 (0.3)             | 455 (11.0)          |
| Hungary                          | 24 (0.8)              | 539 (3.3)           | 33 (0.9)              | 535 (3.4)           | 28 (0.7)            | 519 (3.4)           | 10 (0.5)             | 495 (6.0)           | 5 (0.6)             | 421 (12.9)          |
| Iran, Islamic Rep. of            | 55 (0.9)              | 433 (3.5)           | 16 (0.5)              | 429 (4.9)           | 13 (0.5)            | 419 (5.3)           | 7 (0.4)              | 387 (6.7)           | 9 (0.5)             | 352 (6.3)           |
| Ireland                          | 30 (0.9)              | 546 (3.5)           | 23 (0.8)              | 535 (5.9)           | 26 (0.7)            | 528 (3.6)           | 15 (0.6)             | 503 (5.8)           | 6 (0.5)             | 466 (5.9)           |
| Israel                           | 34 (0.8)              | 497 (4.4)           | 14 (0.5)              | 502 (5.5)           | 20 (0.6)            | 494 (4.9)           | 16 (0.5)             | 476 (4.9)           | 16 (0.7)            | 423 (4.6)           |
| Italy                            | 39 (0.9)              | 510 (3.4)           | 16 (0.6)              | 512 (4.3)           | 23 (0.6)            | 506 (4.1)           | 17 (0.6)             | 488 (4.1)           | 6 (0.7)             | 438 (7.7)           |
| Japan                            | 74 (0.8)              | 562 (2.8)           | 15 (0.7)              | 553 (5.7)           | 6 (0.4)             | 541 (6.9)           | 2 ~                  | ~ ~                 | 2 ~                 | ~ ~                 |
| Jordan                           | 26 (0.9)              | 441 (4.8)           | 16 (0.6)              | 425 (4.9)           | 21 (0.6)            | 426 (5.6)           | 16 (0.6)             | 405 (5.5)           | 21 (0.7)            | 365 (4.4)           |
| Kazakhstan                       | 37 (0.9)              | 456 (3.7)           | 21 (0.7)              | 453 (3.6)           | 19 (0.6)            | 446 (4.0)           | 10 (0.5)             | 433 (4.8)           | 13 (0.6)            | 395 (4.3)           |
| Korea, Rep. of                   | 83 (0.8)              | 553 (2.3)           | 8 (0.4)               | 527 (6.3)           | 6 (0.5)             | 506 (5.4)           | 1 ~                  | ~ ~                 | 1 ~                 | ~ ~                 |
| Kuwait                           | 31 (1.5)              | 467 (8.4)           | 11 (0.6)              | 454 (6.8)           | 15 (0.7)            | 427 (5.2)           | 18 (0.7)             | 405 (6.3)           | 26 (1.2)            | 363 (6.6)           |
| Lithuania                        | 47 (0.8)              | 526 (3.5)           | 15 (0.6)              | 532 (4.0)           | 20 (0.6)            | 522 (4.1)           | 11 (0.5)             | 512 (4.7)           | 8 (0.5)             | 461 (6.1)           |
| Malaysia                         | 36 (0.9)              | 447 (4.2)           | 16 (0.5)              | 451 (3.9)           | 14 (0.4)            | 436 (4.3)           | 11 (0.4)             | 413 (4.8)           | 22 (0.9)            | 376 (4.0)           |
| Malta                            | 49 (0.9)              | 522 (2.2)           | 16 (0.6)              | 519 (4.3)           | 19 (0.6)            | 492 (3.7)           | 9 (0.5)              | 471 (5.8)           | 7 (0.4)             | 396 (6.3)           |
| Morocco                          | 65 (0.8)              | 329 (3.6)           | 12 (0.5)              | 342 (5.0)           | 7 (0.4)             | 328 (6.6)           | 4 (0.3)              | 327 (8.7)           | 11 (0.6)            | 301 (4.9)           |
| Norway (9)                       | 39 (0.9)              | 495 (3.1)           | 20 (0.6)              | 501 (3.7)           | 23 (0.7)            | 496 (3.9)           | 12 (0.6)             | 476 (3.9)           | 6 (0.4)             | 445 (5.5)           |
| Oman                             | 49 (0.8)              | 480 (2.8)           | 16 (0.5)              | 474 (4.2)           | 13 (0.4)            | 450 (4.6)           | 7 (0.4)              | 421 (5.6)           | 15 (0.5)            | 397 (3.9)           |
| Palestinian Nat'l Auth.          | 46 (0.8)              | 418 (3.1)           | 20 (0.5)              | 400 (3.9)           | 14 (0.5)            | 384 (4.9)           | 7 (0.4)              | 349 (6.1)           | 13 (0.6)            | 336 (4.2)           |
| Portugal                         | 75 (0.8)              | 508 (2.3)           | 11 (0.5)              | 515 (4.2)           | 9 (0.4)             | 512 (5.1)           | 4 (0.3)              | 471 (7.1)           | 3 (0.3)             | 445 (7.3)           |
| Qatar                            | 41 (1.4)              | 520 (4.8)           | 16 (0.8)              | 504 (6.4)           | 17 (0.8)            | 479 (5.8)           | 11 (0.6)             | 446 (5.1)           | 16 (0.9)            | 398 (4.6)           |
| Romania                          | 50 (1.4)              | 482 (3.9)           | 13 (0.8)              | 481 (6.1)           | 14 (0.8)            | 473 (5.8)           | 9 (0.6)              | 455 (7.1)           | 13 (0.9)            | 416 (6.2)           |
| Saudi Arabia                     | 28 (1.0)              | 447 (3.9)           | 6 (0.4)               | 448 (7.3)           | 11 (0.5)            | 446 (4.9)           | 18 (0.6)             | 424 (4.9)           | 36 (1.1)            | 387 (4.0)           |
| Singapore                        | 69 (1.2)              | 621 (5.1)           | 16 (0.7)              | 604 (7.1)           | 8 (0.5)             | 563 (7.6)           | 4 (0.4)              | 538 (11.0)          | 3 (0.3)             | 469 (11.8)          |
| South Africa (9)                 | 60 (0.9)              | 373 (4.2)           | 10 (0.4)              | 370 (6.7)           | 11 (0.4)            | 365 (6.6)           | 5 (0.3)              | 350 (9.4)           | 14 (0.6)            | 312 (4.0)           |
| Sweden                           | 38 (0.9)              | 535 (3.7)           | 16 (0.6)              | 546 (4.5)           | 20 (0.6)            | 524 (4.2)           | 14 (0.7)             | 511 (5.1)           | 11 (0.6)            | 473 (6.8)           |
| Türkiye                          | 40 (1.1)              | 556 (4.0)           | 14 (0.6)              | 528 (4.9)           | 20 (0.6)            | 526 (4.9)           | 14 (0.6)             | 509 (5.8)           | 12 (0.6)            | 470 (6.2)           |
| United Arab Emirates             | 48 (0.5)              | 513 (2.0)           | 15 (0.3)              | 513 (3.0)           | 14 (0.3)            | 485 (2.7)           | 10 (0.3)             | 456 (3.4)           | 12 (0.3)            | 400 (3.2)           |
| United States                    | 42 (0.8)              | 524 (4.5)           | 19 (0.6)              | 528 (4.5)           | 19 (0.5)            | 522 (4.2)           | 13 (0.6)             | 500 (4.0)           | 7 (0.5)             | 437 (6.1)           |
| Uzbekistan                       | 40 (1.2)              | 405 (4.4)           | 14 (0.7)              | 409 (4.9)           | 17 (0.6)            | 405 (4.3)           | 11 (0.7)             | 387 (5.0)           | 18 (1.0)            | 364 (4.8)           |
| <b>International Average</b>     | <b>46 (0.1)</b>       | <b>487 (0.6)</b>    | <b>16 (0.1)</b>       | <b>484 (0.8)</b>    | <b>16 (0.1)</b>     | <b>470 (0.8)</b>    | <b>10 (0.1)</b>      | <b>445 (1.0)</b>    | <b>12 (0.1)</b>     | <b>405 (1.0)</b>    |
| <b>Benchmarking Participants</b> |                       |                     |                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                     |                     |
| Abu Dhabi, UAE                   | 45 (0.9)              | 480 (3.9)           | 14 (0.4)              | 469 (4.5)           | 15 (0.5)            | 445 (4.2)           | 11 (0.6)             | 411 (5.5)           | 15 (0.6)            | 363 (4.8)           |
| Dubai, UAE                       | 48 (1.0)              | 568 (3.3)           | 18 (0.7)              | 568 (4.5)           | 15 (0.5)            | 541 (4.1)           | 10 (0.4)             | 516 (5.2)           | 9 (0.5)             | 446 (7.0)           |
| Sharjah, UAE                     | 55 (1.4)              | 518 (4.9)           | 14 (0.6)              | 514 (8.3)           | 12 (0.6)            | 490 (7.4)           | 8 (0.6)              | 464 (6.9)           | 11 (0.7)            | 424 (5.8)           |

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